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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Tsutomu CHIBA

SERIAL NO: 09/893,663

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FOR: APPARATUS, METHOD, PROGRAM, AND DATA STRUCTURE FOR ASSISTING PLACING ORDER FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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SIR:

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

## Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Previously Submitted:

- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on January 3, 2005  
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- Amendment/Reply  
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